

BAY CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT
Burn Permit

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Phone Number _____

Address/Burn Site: _____

Class 1 - Open Debris/Brush **Class 2 - Burn Barrel**

Type of Material Requested to Burn: Yard Debris Paper/Cardboard Untreated Lumber

Permit Number: _____ Issue Date: _____ Issued By: _____

Expiration Date: 12/31/2021

See the back of this document for additional restrictions during Fire Season

In accordance with Bay City Fire Department and DEQ regulations, the above Permittee is hereby granted permission to conduct burning according to the following:

REGULATIONS

1. Burning piles shall be placed as far away as possible and reasonable from combustibles, structures, property lines and fences.
2. A minimum of 25 feet is required for open debris piles and 10 feet for burn barrels from combustibles.
3. Burn barrels are required to have a screen while burning. Screens should be made of heavy mesh and not less than 14 gauge wire with holes not larger than 3/8 inch.
4. Burning of uncut grass, brush, or any standing vegetation is **PROHIBITED**. All grass, brush or vegetation must be piled prior to burning.
5. Burning shall be done on ground cleared of all growth. Class 1 piles shall be in piles **no more than 6 feet wide, 6 feet long, and 3 feet high** (108 cubic feet). Piles larger than this shall require inspection by a fire officer. Contact 377-0233.
6. **BURNING AFTER DARK** and during strong or gusty winds or when a burn ban is in effect is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**.
7. All fires shall be **CONSTANTLY ATTENDED** by a competent person until completely extinguished.
8. Burning of rubber tires, plastics, paint, tar, asphalt shingles, wet garbage, petroleum products or any other material that creates a public nuisance is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED** by the Bay City Fire Department and DEQ regulations.
9. All slash burning within the city limits is regulated by the Fire Department. Inspection before burning by the Fire Chief or his designee is required. Contact 377-0233.

Burning that does not meet the regulations specified above will require a Class 3 Provisional Hazard Permit with approval from the Fire Chief or his designee.

Class 3 - Provisional Hazard

Class 3 Special Provisions: _____

Class 3 Type of Material Requested to Burn: _____

Class 3 Expires: _____ Issued By: _____

The permittee represents that they have the authority to conduct the burn at the above address. The permittee agrees to abide by the above regulations and to extinguish any fire when so ordered by any member of the Bay City Fire Department or any law enforcement official, including Bay City's Code Enforcement Officer. **CAUTION:** This permit does not relieve the permittee from responsibility of fire damage as a result of unsafe burning without a permit. Failure to comply with these regulations is a misdemeanor under Section 960, Chapter 478, Oregon State Law. Violation of regulations may result in revoking your permit, extinguishment of your fire and the repayment of costs incurred by the Fire Department under ORS 478.965 and 477.515.

I agree to abide by all regulations set forth above. _____

Applicant

Please read the reverse side for additional information concerning your permit.

CURRENT BURNING RESTRICTIONS WILL BE POSTED ON THE FRONT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DAILY BY 9:00 A.M.

General burning Information

This burning permit is a privilege and not a right, it can be revoked at anytime by fire department officials if it appears that burning is being done in an unsafe manner. **CAUTION:** nothing within this permit relieves a person starting a fire from responsibility for providing adequate protection to prevent injury or damage to the person or property of another. We ask that individuals closely follow the burning regulations and have consideration for other citizens.

*The Regulated closure of Oregon Department of Forestry land will result in the restriction of burning within the city. Unless conditions warrant an earlier closure, Open burning will be closed on July 15, and burn barrels will be closed on August 1. Burning will be re-opened on October 15 if conditions permit. These dates may be extended due to weather conditions, but all burning will be closed from Aug. 1 thru Oct.15. **Burning conducted in violation of restrictions, or during closures will result in the City charging the offender for Fire Suppression Costs.***

Before you burn:

Remove all flammable material, dry grass etc... from within three feet of your burn barrel or pile. Have a charged hose or 5 gallon bucket of water on hand before starting your barrel or pile.

What can I burn?

Any dry organic material such as grass, limbs, yard debris, untreated wood scraps, paper, cardboard etc...

What can't I burn?

Oil, roofing, wet garbage, plastic, carpet, or any material that may release toxic gases into the atmosphere. Any living plants, trees, or shrubs. Any pressurized container.

What conditions must I avoid?

Do not burn in windy conditions. Do not burn or allow burning to continue after sunset.

Do not burn when a burn ban is in effect or conditions warrant added caution. Current burning conditions are posted on the Fire Department and City Hall, and are available by calling city hall 503 377-2288 or the fire department 503 377-0233. If in doubt, call before you burn.

Working with your neighbors:

Please check with neighbors before you burn, do they have something planned that smoke may interfere with? If so then please consider alternative times to burn. We recommend that you limit burning to less than two hours a day.

What should I do if my fire gets out of control?

Do not delay, call 911 and report the fire. You have a permit and accidents happen. The sooner we get there, the sooner we can control the fire.

Darrell Griffith

Fire Chief, Bay City Fire Department.